DEATH OF MAYOR SMOOT.

Expressions of Sympathy by Mount

The Mount Vernon Avenue Association,

agreeably to a call from Secretary Harlow.

held a special meeting in the council cham-ber of the city hall, Alexandria, at 3 o'clock

yesterday afternoon, to take some appro-

priate action on the death of Mayor Smoot,

have the cordial support of the people of

CUT OUT FOR A HERO.

Charlie Beali.

dispel a little of the gathering gloom by lighting a lamp, and then, before she had time to put that risky filuminator in a safe place, fell on the floor in a fit, breaking the lamp and setting fire to her clothing. The children were all in the room, which is in

the rear of the house, at the time of the

accident, and for a moment it looked as though four lives were going to be sacrificed to the flames that were roasting the unfortunate girl. A screen door, the latch of which was fastened, separated the burning apariment from the front room, and little Charlie Beall, only 5 years old, rushed for it and tried to reach the latch, but failed. He quickly pushed a chair near the door and, mounting it, unfastened the latch and then, jumping from the chair, carried his two little brothers into the front room. Another chair was at once brought

carried his two little brothers into the front room. Another chair was at once brought into requisition near the front door, and Charlie unfastened that also, and carried his rescued brothers into the street, after which be rushed toga neighbor's and gave the alarm. Mr. Kell and a number of others responded immediately, and after rigorous efforts succeeded in putting out the fire, thus saving the house, but unfortunately the girl was so seriously burned that she has since died.

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If there is anybody in the city who is more deserving of praise for calm, deliberate courage than Charlie Beall he has not, so far, materialized. He has in him the stuff of which heroes are made.

Result of Boys Skylarking With

Pistol.

The colored element seemed determined, not to allow Christmas to pass without

adding a shooting scrape to the history of the day. A number of colored boys had a revolver which they were carelessly hand-ling at Ninth and G streets southwest,

He claimed that the boys were all friendly

and were at play at the time of the shoot

The night lodging bouse was a sort of Christmas retreat for many homeless men.

During the past three nights its accommodations have been tested to the fullest extent. Superintendent Plamsill on Christmas added extras to the meals and the guests were made to feel happy, as well as their more prosperous neighbors.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 26.—The cigarmakers of the city have organized a national district

Knights of Labor to fight the tenement system. The co-operation of the international union is expected.

BISMARCK STILL MASTER.

HE CAN PRECIPITATE A WAR OR PRO-

He is Determined That the Czar Shall Show His Hand - Turkey Realizes How Grave the Situation is and Prepares for an Emergency.

LONDON, Dec. 26 .- Mr. Gladstone, who left London to-day for a short season on the continent, received immense ovations at the Euston and Charing Cross railway stations, where there were thousands of holday makers who thronged the streets. Indeed the crowds were so great and so demonstrative that the utmost efforts of the police and the railway attendants were neccesary to prevent their breaking down the gates and forcing their way to the ex-

The latest popular theory with regard to the hurried, and in some respects covert, consultation between the German and Austrian leaders is that Prince Bismarck is determined to force Russia to show her hand by taking advantage of the discrepancy between the czar's extensive military ancy between the caar's extensive military preparation on the Austrian frontier and the asseverations of the Russian officials that no aggressive movement is intended. Whether this theory be correr' or not, there is certainly good ground for the belief that some scheme is on foot to precipitate matters to the end of prolonging the season of peace or bringing about almost immediate war, and that the German chancellor is its master spirit.

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key, which comprise a call for 50,000 additional troops, show the scriousness of the sultan's position and attest the fact that the Ottoman government is fully aware of the gravity of the situation. Turkey still owes Russia £50,000 of the indemnity exacted by the latter at the close of the last armed conflict between the Ottoman and Muscovite empires, and M. Nelsdoff, the Russian ambassalor to Constantinople, has informed the porter in accordance with instructions from St. Petersburg that unless the money is paid forthwith Russia will take possession of the territory in Asia Minor which Turkey pleaged to secure the indemnity. As Turkey cannot by any possibility raise the sum demanded, and doubtless would not apply it to the pay, ent of her debts if she could, she will in the end most likely decide that it is easier to fight than to pay, if she has not already reached that conclusion.

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Lord Randolph Churchill paid a visit to the czar, at the palace of Gatchina, to-day. He was very ostentatiously received, and spent considerable time in private conversation with the emperor. The visit of Lord Randolph is a mystery, but despite the semi-official denials and declaimers here the general conviction is that he is charged with an official mission.

To night is the "boxing night." The theaters are, of course, crowded to their full capacity. The pautomimes are produced on a more costly scale than ever before, those brought out at the Covent Garden and Drury Lane theaters being simply gorgeous. At these two theaters, as also at many of the others, a is-re number of Americans occupied boxes.

Thousands of persons turned out at Knocklong and Mitchelstown on Saturday to meet and greet Mr. Mandeville on the occasion of his release from Tullamore jail, where he has been confined with Mr. O'Brien. While Magistrate Spaight and his wife were driving over a lonely road next Eiffalse to-day they were fired at by unknown persons. The occupants of the carriage were not hit, but the horse drag-ing the vehicle was killed. So_2-Frests have been made, but several persons are under auspiction.

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It is stated upon reliable authority that the pope has instructed Archbishop Walsh and the other Irish prelates visiting Kame to participate in the Jubilee ceremonies to assume a conciliatory attitude toward the English government. The pope to-day received the jubilee gift of Queen Victoria, which was presented to his holiness by the Duke of Norfolk.

The Observer to-day denounces the sentence pronounced upon Daniel Doherty, the American who shot and killed Graham, as monstrous. It declares that the judgment of Justice Stephens was biased by the opinion he has often expressed, that drunkenness increases instead of lessening the gravity of offenses, a sentiment which mankind has pronounced contrary to common

A dispatch from St. Petersburg says that the university students there, being irritated by the action of the authorities in confining them to the university buildings, resewed the rioting. The students deny that they are actuated by political motives. They say that their aim is to secure the dismissal of the rector, the abelition of the new unidents who were arrested during the recent troubles. Prof. Mendelejeff promised to dents who were arrested during the recent troubles. Prof. Mendelejeff promised to impartially report the affair to the curator, whereupon the prefect opened the doors and the students dispersed quietly. The students are not satisfied with Prof. Men-delejeff's promise, however, and have re-solved to send a petition to the exar. M. Delianow, the minister of public instruc-tion, has tendered his resignation. It has not have accepted.

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Advices from Massowah say that the British mission to Abyssinia was unsuccessful in its efforts to induce King John to sue for peace, and that the Italians are jubilant over the failure. During the journey the mission was harassed by Rassalula. The members will sail for Cairo on the next mall stemer. mail steamer.

Mr. Sexton is improving. The fever is lessening, and his general condition is favor-

lessening, and his general condition is favorable.

Michael Davitt, speaking at Steep Bridge to-day, repeated his advice to farmers not to purchase land at the present time. By waiting, he said, they would be able to secure land on the basts of a nominal rent 70 to 80 per cent. under the present figures. The cars to-day gave audience to Lord Randolph Churchili. The Post and Telegraph declare the visit has no political significance.

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The Spanish government has decided to The Spanish government has decided to celebrate the fourth centenary of the discovery of America.

Smith and Klirain' have been engaged to box nightly at the Aquarlum for a week in February. They will receive £1,000 for the

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Another riot occurred in the Moscow University to day, growing out of the closing of the doors and prevention of the students from leaving the building. The students became grasperated at this action, and handled some of the faculty and attendants very roughly. The doors were sublequently reopened and quiet was restored. The motives of the students in resisting the university authorities are entirely non-political, but are directed toward the dismissal of the rector and securing the abolition of the new university statutes which the obnexious rector introduced. The release of the students arrested for violation of the obnexious statutes is also demanded. ROCHEFORT ASSAULTED.

Paris, Dec. 26.—M. Rochefort was as-sulted on the street to day by M. Garniar, who was one of Sarab Bernhardt's company during her last American tour. The cause of the attack was Rochefort's severe critof the attack was Rochefort's severe criticism in his paper of Garnier's conduct in consection with Mms. Bernhardt's fight with Mile. Normont, a member of her company, in South America.

A dreision in the cable pool combine cases will be rendered January 9.

The editor of the Parliamentaire Riemnois, Vienna, has been arrested for publishing nifeles culcorising Russia.

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It is stated that when the chambers meet an effort will be made to induce the govern-

ment to take action sgainst the copper syndicate.

Zangerle, the German commercial trav-eler who attempted to kill a French cuseler who attempted to kill a French cus-toms officer at Pagny-Surr-Moselle last

summer, has escaped from the madhouse in which he was confined after yowing ven-geance on the government officials. An active search for him is proceeding.

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SAN RIMO, Dec. 26.—Dr. Mackenzie says he is greatly pleased with the improvement in the crown prince's condition. The small growth in the prince's throat is almost gone. There remains a slight tume-faction in the left ventricular band. The doctor says that time alone can determine the exact nature of the disease.

Dr. Mackenzie will start for England on Wednesday next. Dr. Mackenzie thinks the prince might be benefited by the hot baths of Hamman Rirsa, fifty miles from Algiers, a health resort in winter for consumptive patients and persons afflicted with bronchial troubles. The climate is like that of Engadine, without the cold weather. The springs are curative of gout and rheumatism.

The Prussias and German departments of justice have commissioned Judge Aschrott to study and report upon the American penal system, with the view of making it the basis of a new system in Germany.

The papal jublice was celebrated to-day in St. Hedwig's Church, the principal Catholic church in Berlin. The new emperor bell in the Cologne cathedral was rung for the first time in honor of the pope.

The government is considering the advissibility of establishing a special court for the protection of patents, trade-marks, and patterns.

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THE SACO EMBEZZLER. Detective Powers Gets No Reward -- Mc

Neally Returning to Maine. Saco, Mn., Dec. 26 .- The directors of the Saco and Biddeford Savings Bank have decided that as Detective Powers neither recovered the stolen securities nor arrested reward. The officials also say that no ar-

reward. The officials also say that no arrangement has been made for McNeally's return, and no one has authority to guarantee him immunity from prosecution.

Halifan, N. S., Dec. 26 — Frank C. McNeally and his brother Harry departed this evening by train, ostensibly for Maine. Before leaving Harry said his brother was not likely to cross into the states yet. He talked of returning to his old home in a few weeks when matters have been smoothed over and the public interest in the affair had subsided. Supendiary Motton to-day surrendered to Consul Phelan the Kelly letter which Harry stated was forcibly taken from him. Harry McNeally was emphatic in his declaration that the Saco Bank will not lose a dollar by the embezzlement.

The brothers still decline to give any information about what has been done with the stolen bonds. The public opinion is that the bank has received them back or has its clutches upon them.

A REVOLUTION SUPPRESSED. An Unsuccessful Attempt to Overthrow

NOGALES, ARIZ., Dec. 26 .- A revolution, eaded by ex-President of Guatemala icente Castano, against the government of Gen. Barillas for having proclaimed a dictatorship June 19, lately suffered a most dictatorship June 19, lately suffered a most humiliating defeat. There were two disaffected factions, one working from the eastern department and the other from the western, the former under the generalship of Castano and the latter in charge of several well-known military men of the republic. In a range of mountains near the city of Guatemala a few days ago, a desperate battle was fought between the federal and revolutionary forces, the latter suffering almost complete lannihilation. The battle was desperate and sangulary from the commencement, and lasted over two hours, the field being strewn with the dead. At the conclusion Castano was routed and other revolutionary generals were captured and shot. This ends one of the most bloody wars the country has ever seen. The republic now enjoys peace.

A FEMALE FORGER ARRESTED Driven to This Crime to Get Means to Destroy Evidence of Her Wayward-

WORCESTER, MASS. Dec. 26. - Lucille Foster, aged 20 years, was arrested last night for forgery. She obtained \$230 on a number of small notes to which she forged the signature of Mr. George Sessions. She spent the money to defray the expense of going to Boston and having a criminal operation performed. She is in a serious condition, and there is considerable sym-pathy expressed for her. She refused to pathy expressed for her. She retused to give the name of the man who got her into trouble, and says she only wishes to die. She came from Lucenberg, Mass., and has been a telegraph operator in Boston and an employe in a straw factory near here.

Valuable Horses Perish. Valuable Horses Perish.

PHILADELPHIA, P.A., Dec. 25,—A row of box stails and wagon abeds were burned at the Gentlemen's Driving Course to-day, and five horses perishedin the flames, as follows: Chestant Gelding J. W., nine years old, record 2:45½; chestnut more Sally Watson, (pacer) record 2:45½; black gelding, E. C. G., pacer) record, 2:45½; brown colt Message, 3 years old, by Messenger Chief; a Pilot mare, and a gray gelding, used as a work horse about the track. The fire originated in the stall where Message was quartered, and is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

A Color Sergeant Murdered. Crawford, Nea., Dec. 26.—Wm. Stauco, olor sergeant in the 9th United States cavalry, was shot dead from ambush last night while was anot creat from amounts. Lest mine write white was a very strict disciplinarian, it is believed that he was killed by one of his sown men. He tood high in the esteem of his superiors, and wore a niedal awarded by Contress for bravery n rescuing children from Indians.

Swindled the Encampment. St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 26.—It is now alleged that Capt. Shea, of the Emmit Light Artillery, who has abscouded with detaleations amount who has absconded with detalections amount-ing to \$600 or more, also swindled the manage-ment of the Chicago military encampment by putting in a bill for the transportation of a nuch larger number of men than were pres-ent with the battery.

Foundered at Sea.
PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 26.—The owners of

the Philadelphia schooner Samuel McMan-enery, Capt. Virden, which sailed from Fer-nandina November 10, for this port, have given up all hopes of her safety, and there is no lon-ger any doubt but that she foundered at sea with all hands, eight in number.

PETERSBURG, VA., Dec. 25.—Mark Morse, a well known resident of this city, when coming home this evening with his wife and about to unlock his front door, was twice stabbed in the back by an nuknown negr., who made his escape. The attending physician considers Morse's wounds dangerous.

Wakefield in Ashes. Waterield, Wis., Dec. 26.-A fire which started here yesterday consumed nearly all the business houses in the city, together with forty residences. The loss will reach \$109,000. A monkey overturning a lamp in the Coll-senm Theater caused the fire.

Shot His Wife and Suicided. DENVER, COL., Dec. 28.—Isador Pierce, a storekeeper at Boulder, Col., shot his wife to-night and then killed himself in the presence of their four children. Mrs. Perce received two serious wounds, but will recover. The cause was jealousy,

More Pauper Arabians Detained. NEW YORK, DEC. 26.—The steamer Rotter dam, from Rotterdam, arrived to-day with thirt -two more Arabs. With the one hund-dred which arrived on the Chateau Leoville featuristy they are held to await Collector Magone's decision.

The Irish Envoys in Canada. Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 26.—Sir Thomas Ed-monde Grattan and Arthur O'Conner lectured here this evening, under the auspices of the Hamilton branch of the Irish National Lesgue. There was no disturbance.

THE READING STRIKE

HOW IT WILL AFFECT THE MEN IN NEW

A Pretty General Opinion Among Union and Non-Union Men That There Will Be No Sympathetic Strike-One Dose. and That Was Enough.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 .- Although there was little or no work going on along the river front to-day smong the coal handlers, there were many of them to be found during the latter part of the forenoon floating along West street, or gathered in small groups at the street corners discussing the big coal strike. The coal shovelers and handlers, as a rule, expressed their opinion with the utmost freedom, and occasionally with an emphasis that showed they were in earnest and meant every word they said. The first coal handler who was met by the reporter coal handler who was met by the reporter was Mike Gallagher, who drives a cart for the Steam Heating Company. "Go on strike, is it?" he sail, "not if I know it." He "said there is no sympatby here with Pennsylvania miners. You'll find very few of us along shore now who want to take another turn at it. We've had enough of it. There is no one who can order us out or hinder our working along shore. The men are nearly all scabs. I used to be a union man, but no more of it for me."

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Charles Farrelly, a shoveler, was working for the Old Dominion Line, said: "The coal strikers of the Reading road cannot win unless they can get the workers in New York and Baltimore to go in and assist them. The strike can affect but a few men in this city, and I don't think there is any chance in bringing about a sympathetic strike, because nearly all the men in the business now are scabs. I think the strikers are bound to lose." At the coal dock of E. W. Youngs, where only union men are employed, the reporter found James Ryan, a young man who said he belonged to the Coal Shovelers' Union. He said that all the union men were heartily in sympathy with the Philadelphia strikers, and he was looking for one of the biggest strikes New York had ever seen. He declared the meo are very determined. I "have heard it talked about in the union, and some branches have already been told to prepare to go out at at any moment sudjare only waiting orders, I am told. Mr. Youngs, the boas, who has about fifty men at work here, thinks that there is going to be a strike in New York and has loaded down all his boats in Hoboken, so as to be ready for it. The freight handlers all along the river will be called out as well as the drivers and shovelers." It was not possible to verify these statements, for other union men told the reporter they could not corroborate them. Another ex-union man said: "I take no interest in this strike in Philadelphia. I had enough of it last year, and now I am going to look out for my own interests. As far a strike in New York in concerned there may be one, but it will be coniled to union men."

men."

"Are there more union than non-union men in the city!" he was asked.

"Indeed there are not," was the "sponse.

"Most of the steamship and railroas companies employ non-union mes, and since last winter it does a man no good to belong to a union so far as getting work is concerned."

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John Mack, who said he belonged to the Longshoreman's Union, but worked principally at coal shovelling for the steamship companies, was quite indignant when asked if there was any prospect of his striking in sympathy with the Reading employes. "Indeed there'll be no strike this winter, and you can bet anything you want to on it. We deed there'll be no strike this winter, and you can bet anything you want to on it. We didn't go out last winter for these Pennsylvania people and then get left in the end for nothing, and don't you forgot it. Why, those rascals had the gail, after our going on a strike to help them, to come up here and take our places when the strike was over. No; you can say that our union will not go out, I don't care who says it will."

John Connelly, also a union man, declared that so long as he could get employment at \$1 a day he would not go out on strike for any Philadelphia strikers, and said he thought the strike would fall because the people down in Pennsylvania had no organization.

people down in Femaly, and the people down in Femaly, a coal heaver for the Guion Line, told the reporter that he intended to keep out of any strike. "I got all I wanted of the business last year, and it made a good many a sight sicker than it did ma."

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Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 26.—Two freight trains were moved to day in this region on the Philadelphia and Reading road. Their crews were hooted by boys, but no other demonstrations were made. A small number of conduct is and brakemen will report for duty to morrow, and many engineers signify their intention to resume when called upon, claiming that they were not Krights of Labor. It is believed the miners will strike if called upon, although a number of them are not in sympathy with the movement. The Union Coal Company, the Lenox Coal Company, and several individual collieries will be the only mines in operation in the region should the Reading miners go out. The strike is generally condemned in business circles.

READING. Pa., Dec. 28.—The Reading employes in this vicinity have decided not to join in the strikef and sent a committee to Philadelphia this evening to endeavor to have the employes there return to duty in the morning. Philadelphia and Reading officials here are of the opinion that the action of its employes virtually kills the Koights of Labor as an organization; they say they will never recognize them again. The employes along the main line outside of this city left their posts this morning, and matters are rather complicated to night, although it is claimed that ample force of men have been secured to man all the trains that are likely to be run out for the next few days. There were a few deserters of train hands reported north of Reading today, but their places were promptly filled by non-union men. Several telegraph operators quit work at Palo Alto last night, cut other men were promptly sent there and took charge of the office. There was very little doing to-day, and it will take several days before any definite information can be obtained. The fact that the employes at Reading refused to strike does not effect the main line employes; they are mostly employed in the shops and on the cross lines, which run en to strike does not effect the main line employes; they are mostly employed in the shops and on the cross lines, which run ent of this city. Many prominent Knights of Labor regret the stand taken by the menere to day. They say it has virtually destroyed the organization, and that it will be impossible to recover from the effects of to-day's deliberations. Others seem to think that it will strengthen it. They say the strike at Port Richmond was premature, and any persons who possess a spark of intelligence cannot help but see it. It is a local difficulty, they say, and the entire district should not have been dragged into it. Level headed men are of the opinion that the trouble will be settled in a few days.

days.
Philadelphia and Reading officials here Falladelphia and Reading officials here are much elated to night over the stand taken by their Reading employes, and seem to think that it will I ave a wholesome effect on the employee. This, however, remains to be seen, and it will take several days before the real extent of the strike will be known.

Philadelphia, Dec. 26.—Christian and John Schmidt, brothers, called on August Haller this aftercoon, and there found some other callers. A dispute arose, ending in a light, in which Christian Schmidt was fatally stabled by Haller.

An Embezzler Arrested. Nonwich, Cosk., Dec. 25.—Defaulting Cashier Hood, of the board of water commissioners, was to-day arrested and held in \$7,500 ball, charged with embezziing \$6,500 of the city funds. He was sent to jall in default of bouds.

An Oblo Jail Liberation. ST. CLAIRSVILLE, OHIO, Dec. 25 .- The priso ers in the county jail overpowered the jailor, Colby, Saturday evening, and four of them

MR. MANNING'S FUNERAL Will be Attended by the President and

Members of the Cabinet. The President, Secretaries Bayard, Fairchild, and Lamar, Postmaster General Vilss, Attorney General Garland, and Col. La-mont left the city yesterday afternoon for Albany to attend ex-Secretary Manning's funeral in a special car attached to the 3:43 funeral in a special car attached to the 3:45 congressional limited express of the Pennsylvania railroad. At Jersey City they will take the West Shore road to Albany, where they will arrive early this morning. Secretary Whitney left yesterday morning on the New York limited express, and he and Secretary Endicott, who is in Massachuselts, will join the Presidential party at Albany this morning. The party will leave Albany for Washington in mediately after the ceremonies, and will reach this city about 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

morning.
The following officers of the Treasury De The following officers of the Treasury Department also left the city yesterday to attend the funeral: Comptroller Durham, fourth Auditor Shelley, Supervising Architect Freret, Mr. E. O. Graves, of the bureau of engraving and printing; R. L. Miller, chief of the division of loans and currency; Chief Clerk E. B. Youmans, Assistant Secretary Maynard, Comptroller Trenholm, Third Auditor Williams, T. D. Keleber, Superintendent of the Treasury Building G. W. Albright, and Sixth Auditor McConville.

The treasury delegation will hold a meeting at the Delavan House, Albany, at noon to day.

Oday. New York, Dec 26,-President Cleve

New York, Dec 26.—President Cleveland and five members of the Cabinet and Private Secretary Lamont reached Jersey City at 9:30 p. m., twenty minutes behind schedule time, on their way to Albany.

The Pullman car Soudan, which bore the party from Washington, with Conduct of E. F. Hodgeon in charge, was taken up in the Pennsylvania depot by a new engine and ballast car, run off on the track of the West Shore road and hauled to Weehawken and attached to the West Shore train, which should have left for Albany at 9:15, but was held for the President and his party. The trip from Washington was uneventful.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE FUNERAL.

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ALMANY, Dec 26—The funeral of Daniel Manning will take place to-morrow afterneon from the residence of his son, No. 140

Lancaster street. The remains may be viewed by the personal friends of the decessed to-morrow from 9 to 11 a. m. The President and members of his Cabinet will be guests of Gov. Hill. From the executive mansion they will proceed directly to church. The pallbaraers and other mourners residing in New York will come to Albany in a special car attached to the Chicago express, leaving the metropolis at 9:50 a. m. and arriving here about 1 p. m. President Cleveland and Cabinet will leave Albany on their return to Washington at 5:30 p. m. to-morrow.

At St. Paul's Church the regular Episcopal service for the dead will be said, the rector of St. Paul's, Rev. J. Livingston Reese, D.D., officiating, assisted by the Episcopal clergymen of the city. The pallbearers will be Manton Marble, Rafus W. Peckham, A. P. Gorman, C. J. Canda, Sidney Webster, Conrad N. Jordan, Erastus Corning, Roscoe Conkling, Simon W. Rosendale, Samuel W. Randall, John H. Van Autwerp, and Pascoi P. Pratt. At the close of the services in the church the remains will be borne to the Rural Cemetery, followed by the members of the family and mourners in sleighs. At the mortuary chapel the burial prayer will be said by Rev. Dr. Reese, and the remains at once conveyed to the vault without further ceremony, where they will rest until spring.

COUNTY DEMOGRACY DELEGATION,

New YORK, Dec. 28.—Members of the County Democracy Bocked to the house

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New York, Dec. 26.—Members of the County Democracy flocked to the house of the New Amsterdam Club this afternoon to vote on the resolutions touching the death of Secretary Manning, and to volunteer to attend the funeral to-morrow in Albany. Ex-Mayors Cooper and Grace, Senators Murphy and Daly, Congressman Campbell, Col. John R. Fellows were among those present, and will be of the 100 who will leave for Albany on the 9:40 a. m. train to morrow.

The resolutions declared that Mr. Manning's death "brings to every Democrat a sense of individual loss and suffering," and that "the republic has been deprived by his death of a citizen whose life, in all its phases, private and public, adds luster to the crown of American citizenship."

Other portions of the resolutions were: "His administration of the affairs of the Treasury Department constitutes one of the brightest chapters of American history. His reports as Secretary of the Treasury rank with the clearest and strongest ever penned, and have influenced public opinion to a marked degree in the direction of

nned, and have influenced r penned, and have influenced public opinion to a marked degree in the direction of sound finance, correct systems of taxation, and the true Democratic doctrine of self-government. * * * Like Jefferson, Jackson, and Tilden, Daniel Manuing's life

A MURDERER ESCAPES.

Bad Man Gets Away From the Brook

lyn Jail. New York, Dec. 26.—Paul Krause, im-plicated in the murder of Lyman S. Weeks Brooklynin March last, escaped from the Raymond street jall in that city last light. He lowered himself from the fourth night. He lowered himself from the fourth floor by means of a rope made of several towels, and dropped on to soft blankets which he had previously thrown from his window on the cobblestone pavement below. By the aid of a carriage pole he easily scaled the wall to the street. The room of the warden of the prison was directly opposite that of Krause. The escape is said to have been one of the neatest jobs of that kind yet recorded. A general alarm has been sent to the police of the principal cities.

A Woman Killed by Hogs SHELBYVILLE, IND., Dec. 25.—Mrs. Sara Ewlog, living four miles west of here, ound dead in her barn yard yesterday by he grandson. Her board was terribly manufed the force, which were with the greatest difficult driven off. During the absence of herdaughter and the latter's husband on Saturday the idd lady had gone out to milk. The hogs, it thought, pulled her down and killed her.

Booth and Barrett in New York. NEW YORK, Dec. 26 .- A change in the co New York, Dec. 20.—A change in the con-trol and management of the Academy of Mu-sic took place to-night. Messrs. Gitmore and Tomphins are the new proprietors. The oc-casion was made notable by the re-appearance of Edwin Booth and Lawrence Barrett in the play of "Julius Cessar." and attendance of a large and fashionable audience.

HUNTINGDON, PA., Dec. 28,-H. Nichols, ondon, England, was killed near the Spri ondon, England, was salied near the Spruce treek tunnel on the Pennsylvania railroad, bout fourners miles west of this place, this norming. He attempted to board an east lound freight train and, missing his hold, fell norming death about two hours afterward, ausing death about two hours afterward.

The Dead Miser's Relatives. CHICAGO, Dec. 26 .- Morey Hale Bartow, w died yesterday morning in New York, has rel-atives in New Albany, Ind. Harvey A. Scrib ner, of that place, is a cousin. Bartow was an adopted son of Dr. David Hale, who died in New Albany many years ago. His mother, who lives in Logansport, Ind., is named Gon-

Smallpox Among Emigrants. New York, Dec. 23.—Among the 206 steerage passengers on the steamer Rhaetia, which are rived from Hamburg to-day, there were thre asse of small pox. To vessel was funigated and the patients detained at quarantine. The other passengers will be allowed to land to norrow.

Fall's Murderer Insane.

OSKALOGA, Iowa, Dec. 25,—A jury has declared David S. Hites, who murglered John Fall and his wife, insane, and he will be sent to an asylum instead of being tried for the

A special meeting of the Alexandria Physicag, Dec. 26.—Edward H. Kendricks ne of the oldest telegraph operators in the council was held last evening, and resolutions of respect to the memory of the late Mayor Smoot adopted. The funeral of the decessed takes place this morning at 11 country, suicided in a fit of despondency to day, by jumping from the Sixth Street bridge He was 32 years of age, and has been employed by the Western Union for twenty-five years. o'clock.

MR. CORCORAN MUCH AMUSED

AT THE FALSE AND SENSATIONAL

His Condition Greatly Improved and yesterday afternoon, to take some appropriate action on the death of Mayor Smoot, president of the sasociation.

Mr. Jefferson Chandler, of Washington, was chosen chairman, and on taking his seat made some touching remarks concerning the decease of Mr. Smoot. He then appointed a committee of five, consisting of Chairman Charles E. Stewart, E. W. Fox. F. A. Reed, A. T. Beckain, and M. B. Harlow, to report resolutions expressive of the sentiments of the association.

While the resolutiona were being drawn short addresses were made by Messra. F. A. Reed, E. W. Fox. Park Agnew, and M. D. Harlow. All of these gentlemen spoke most feelingly of the great loss sustained in the death of Mayor Smoot, not only by the city of Alexandria and the community at large in which he lived, but by the Mount Vernon Avenue Association in particular. Mr. Harlow related how Mr. Smoot had said on the last visit to his office that ne hoped to live long enough to be able to ride with him (Mr. Harlow) over the contemplated Mount Vernon avenue.

All the speeches were characterized by the most carnest expressions of admiration for the high, generous, noble character of Mr. Smoot, and the pain that his loss had occasioned. Seldom has any body ever convahed to show respect for a deceased member that seemed so deeply impressed at its bereavement. Mr. Sanot was much beloved by all those members of the association was always bonyant and unflagging, and was evidently very near his heart, and the only regret he felt on his dying bed was that he could not live to see the completion of this splendid and patriotic work. It was a matter of general remark among the speakers that it would be difficult to find one who could take the place of Mr. Smoot, but that the stamp of his approval was so firmly impressed that whoever his auccessor might be, he would have the cordial support of the people of Alexandria.

The resolutions reported by Chairman his Spirits Excellent-Preparing to Receive Friends To-day-The Cole bration of his 90th Birthday.

The sensational report printed yesterday to the effect that Mr. W. W. Corcoran was taken ill at St. John's Church last Sunday norning and had to be carried to his carrisge and taken home turns out to be a confidential friend and medical adviser, aughed last night when asked about the published story. "The whole thing in a nut shell," said he, "Is this: Mr. Corcoran published story. "The whole thing in a nut shell," said he, "is this; Mr. Corcoran went to St. John's Church and became fatigued by the long service. Prior to going to church he busied himself about some matters, and became a little wearled from the overwork, and sitting so long did not help him much. He went to the communion rail alone, and in kneeling down his leg, which had been paralysed, got into an awkward position, and he had to move it with his hand in order to get it straight. In making this affort a sudden twist was given it, causing him some pain. This was due to the fact that he had to kneel on the step; and in doing so, one knee got a little higher up than the other. Messrs. Hill and Everett, relatives of Mr. Corcoran, saw that he was suffering and they went to his assistance. One of the gentlemen, in trying to move the leg, did so in a manner that gave increased pain and the agony experienced caused Mr. Corcoran to cry out. This created a little flutter of excitement among the congregation scated near the altar. My habit is every Sunday to visit Mr. Corcoran and take dinner with him. He saked me to call on him once a week, and of course, thave been doing so, all along. My carriage happened to arrive at his residence a minute or so before Mr. Corcoran's. He got out of his carriage and walked into the house. He told me that he was failingued and I recommended a glass of champagne to him, which he drank. He then amusingly told me of his little experience at the church. Mr. Corcoran is much improved in health, in fact, is better to-day than he has been for a long time. I had to go and see him to-day on businees matters, and was only a short time with him. He is in good spirits, and will look forward to spending a happy day with his relatives in the celebration of his 90th birthday. I suggested to him that as he had arrived at the age of discretion, the only medical advice I could give him was not to allow his pretty lady friends to steal too many kisses from him. Mr. Corcoran, in turn, gave me a cauti went to St. John's Church and became

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The resolutions reported by Chairman Stewart were read, and were as follows:

The Mount Vernon Avenue Association is, for the first time in its existence, called upon to mount the death of one of its most gifted members, one of its most energetic supporters, and its able and impartial prosident, the late John B. Smoot. Deploring his loss as a friend, as a wise counselor, as the nead of this association, we deem it but a just tribute to his worth as our president, his merits as a citizen, his loving affection as a friend, to expressour sense of loss at his death.

As our president, he was zealous in the prosecution of a work which promises to be a connecting link between the capital founded by Washington, the heights of Affington, the sity of his love. Alexandria, and the place where rest Washington's remains—Mount Vernon. As a citizen, true to every trust confided to him as such. And gracing the high office he held by justice, wisely tempered by merc., he yes in his private life exemplified that true "charity which extends beyond the grave into the boundless realms of eternity." Asa friend, those who knew him best—the simple, unaffected gentleman—grappled him to their souls with links of steel. Therefore

Reached, That we do most deeply sorrow at his death, and that in tendering to his bereaved family our heartfult sympathy in their loss we but speak the unanimous voice of an afflicted community.

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**secred, That a copy of these resolutions be set by the secretary to the family of the decessed, and to the daily papers of Alexandria at lof Washington. The resolutions were unaulmously adopted, and the meeting adjourned subject to the call of Secretary Harlow.

talking, however, about other matters. It was learned that Mr. Corcoran was much amused at the sensational account given of him, and he read it two or three times to his family.

A friend of the philanthropist list night remarked that the newspapers apparently were endeavoring to make Mr. Corcoran appear as "a living corpse."

The published statement occasioned no small amount of alarm among the friends of the highly respected citizen, and yesterday was found to be a very busy time at his household making denials of the truth of the story to the callers. To-day Mr. Corcoran will observe his 90th birthday, surrounded by his family. He has been preporing little surprises for those near and dear to him, and to others upon whom he looks with a kindly eye. They as well as others will in roturn gladden his heart with gifts of love.

The NATIONAL REPUBLICAN wishes the honored and distinguished citizen a joyous occusion, and that many rich blessings may fail upon his revered head.

STATEMENT OF MR. CORCORAN. The Cool and Brave Act of Little Three little boys, aged, respectively, 5, 4, and 2 years, brighten the home of W. H. and 2 years, brighten the home of W. H. Beall, who resides at 246 Ninth street southeast. For some time past Mrs. Beall has been confined to her house by illness, but on the evening of Friday last, just before duck, she went out, leaving the three little ones in the care of the negro servant girl. In the ordinary course of events Mr. Beall would have been home shortly after his wife's departure, but on this occasion he was detained by a little unexpected business, and then, being a Knight of Labor, he went to the regular meeting of the assembly to which he belonged.

Meanwhile the girl at the house sought to dispel a little of the gathering gloom by

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STATEMENT OF ME. CORCORAN.

Mr. W. W. Corcoran was seen last evening by a Republican representative, and said he had not felt better than he does now for six months. Miss Eutls, his grand-daughter, arrived from New York last evening to spend a few days and to be present at Mr. Corcoran's 90th birthday, which he celebrates to day. Mr. Corcoran will see his intimate friends, who always call upon him, and has been auticipating the event with pleasure for some time. The manual birthday cake has been prepared, and all that is needed for complete enjoyment is agreeable weather. As to the occurrence in St. John's Church, the first report was unduly exaggerated. Mr. Corcoran had sait through the service and his limbs had become a little stiffened. When his nephew, Mr. William Hill, assisted him to the chancel rail his knee missed the kneelfor six months. Miss Eutis, his granddaughter, strived from New York last evening to spend a few days and to be present
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was not carried from the church, but
walked home with his niece, Miss Mary
Blake Jones, and Dr. Garnett, who joined
them upon the street, but whose professloral services he did not require that afternoon. The article brought a host of messengers with inquiries after Mr. Corcoran's
condition, and therefore caused much annoyance in the household.

CHARLESTON'S CELEBRATION. Christmas Memorialized by Several

Murders. CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 26 .- Although the secular celebration of Christmas did not commence until yesterday morning-there has been three fatal affrays already, and the police stations were crowded with prisoners. On Saturday night a white prisoners. On Saturday night a white storckceper shot and killed a negro, who attacked him with a kuife. Yesterday morning a negro boy was brought to the police station with a dangerous stab wound in his arm. Yesterday afternoon two negroes had a fight on Bogar street, and one had his head chopped with a hatchet. He will probably die. ling at Ninth and G streets southwest, shortly after noon yesterday. Thomas Burgess got hold of the weapon and said "I'm going to shoot you, Jim Jackson." "Don't point that at ms." said Jackson. Several of the boys grabbed the latter and held him, whereupon Burgess pointed the pistol very close to the boy's face and fired. The bullet entered the mouth and lodged in the back of the throat, producing a dangerous wound. The injured boy was taken to the fourth precinct station, where he was attended by Dr. Hamilton E. Leach, who pronounced the fejury a serious one. The sufferer was subsequently taken to Providence Hospital. Burgess was immediately arrested and at the station house said that he did not know the pistol was loaded, and that he had no intention to shoot the boy. He claimed that the boys were all friendly,

Results of Yesterday's Ruces Hesults of Yesterday's Ruces.
CUITON, N. J. Dec. 26.—First race, five furlouss, won by Zero, Count Luna second, J. J.
Hesley third. Time, 107.
James A II won the second race, five furlong, in 1094, with Pampero second, and Listic C third.
Third race—One mile. Harwood first, Velvet second, Rosetta third. Time, 1515.
Fourth race—Seven furlongs. Change first, Joe Mitcheil second, Glendon third. Time Fighrace—Three-quarter mile. King Arthur con, Scampa second, Brilliant third. Time, GUTTENBERG, N. J., Dec. 26—Guinare won he first race—five furiouss—in 1975, with Nimred second, and Allanoke third.
The second race was won by Ben Thompson—seven furiouss—in 1996, with Velo second, and Endover third.
Third race—Seven furiouss. Tunis won, with Henry B second, Grace third. Time, 1974. Fourth race—Three quarters of a mile. Peters urg first, Rob Roy second. Bradburn third, line, 1224. Time, 1 2214.

Fifth race—One and one-eighth miles. Competitor first. Ivauhoe second, Banero third.

There was a rumor in circulation las night that the proprietors of the Bor Marche were financially embarrassed and would make an assignment to day. A re-porter of the REPUBLICAN visited Mr. Mayer's hotel to see that gentleman, but he declined to make any statement either confirming or denying the story.

Fell and Broke Both Legs. Michael McNally yesterday afternoon fel off a car near the Columbia Hospital and broke both of his legs. He was taken to the hospital, where he received medical aid, after which he was removed to his home in Georgetown. SAMUEL SPENCER.

President of the Baltimore and Ohlo Railroad, The man whom the directors of the Bal-

administrative head of its vast business is in his forty-first year. His salary as presilent of the road is twenty-five dollars a year. When he received his first



appointment in the service of the same corporation. In December, 1872, he was paid seventy five dollars a month. Not to speak of the reward of diligence and ability in the honors he has earned for himself, Mr. Spencer's financial success is certainly very remarkable.

He is a Georgian, born at Marietta, that state, on March 2, 1847. At 15 years of age he became a student at the Georgia Military Institute. The next year he entered the military service of the confederacy as member of an independent company of rangers on duty in the west and southwest. He became a student in the University of of Georgia after his return from the war, and was graduated from that institution in July, 1867. Without loss of time he then studied engineering in the University of Virginia. In July, 1869, he received the degree of C. E., the head of the graduating class. About a month later Mr. Spencer began his distinguished career as a railroad man, with an appointment on the Savannah and Memphis railroad. class. About a month later Mr. Spencer began hisdistinguished career as a railroad man, with an appointment on the Savannah and Memphis railroad. Beginning as rodman he had risen to be principal assistant engineer when, in July, 1572, he left the service of that corporation. His next engagement was as clerk to the superintendent of the New Jersey Southern railroad, which he held only a few months. He then made his way to Baltimore, where, as assistant supervisor of trains, his abilities were first enlisted in the service of the corporation which has now placed him at the head of its affairs. When the Metropolitan branch was opened, in 1873, Mr. Spencer was made supervisor of trains on all the branches east of Martinsburg, including the Metropolitan. Between April, 1877, and January, 1878, he was superintendent of transportation of the Virginia Midland road. His next step in advance was as general superintendent of the reorganized Long Island railroads. In October, 1879, he became assistant to the late John W. Garrett, President of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Mr. Spencer was elected third vice-president, and in November, 1884, to first vice-president.

DRESSING CUTS AND BRUISES.

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Hospital. "We have had a quiet day, compa speaking," said Dr. Gill, of the Emangency Hospital, last night to a reporter of the

REPUBLICAN.
"Any accidents brought here?" was the

others.

WATCHMAN REED ROBBED. Assaulted by a Colored Man While on Duty.

Watchman Duff Green Reed, of the agri cultural department, as he was about to enter the Thirteenth-street gate of that place a little before 12 o'clock last night was suddenly confronted by a colored man who said in a gruff voice: "Hold up was suddenly confronted by a colored man who said in a gruff voice: "Hold up your hands." Mr. Reed did not quite understand what was said, and while hesitating the man dealt him a terrific blow on the head, which felled him to the ground. In the fail Mr. Reed cut a deep gash in the side of his head. While he lay on the pavement his assailant robbed him of his pock thook, which contained about 57. The highwayman escaped. A full description of him was given the policy and it is likely that his arrest will be shortly made.

General Society Matters. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Duvall held a large and enjoyable reception last evening at their residence, No. 1332 I street, and were kept busy for more than three hours in welcoming their callers. Among those present were noticed James G. Taylor and wife, I. N. Charles, mother, and sister. Mrs. K. W. Clark and daughter, Charles R. Sewell, Mr. Truxell and Mrs. Whiteford, T. G. Riley and wife, R. M. Richards, Mrs. R. C. Cheesman and daughter, Mr. Baker. Capt. R. D. Grahsm, W. A. and H. T. Proctor, Harry Cavanaugh, wife, and daughter, Frack Coburn, Dr. M. D. Peck, wife, and daughter, W. F. Beogher and wife, Mrs. J. De C. Thomas and daughters. Win. H. Allen, wife, and son, Prof. P. d'Janon, Samuel P. Bell and wife, Signor Romero and wife, of the Maxical legation, Miss M. E. Clementa, Mrs. M. K. Thornton and daughter, Gen T. M. Brown and daughter, Msi A. F. Farrar their residence, No. 1332 I street, and were Mrs. M. K. Thornton and daughter, Gen T.
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and wife, Dr. C. E. Gorham and wife, Mrs.
M. Hyatt and daughter, Mr, and Mrs. W.
M. Wiggans and daughters, Mrs. Wm.
English and son, Thos I. House and wife,
Mrs. S. S. House and daughters, Miss Mary
E. Striley, Mr. Schneckhise and wife, Mrs.
Annie Rock and daughter, H. H. Swearingen and wife, Miss Martha Wells.
Madame Guzman will be at home informally to day, in her apartments at the
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The engagement of Miss Victoria Emory and Midshipman Edgar, son of Madame Bonaparte, is announced.

Owing to the death of Passed Assistant Paymaster McGowan, U.S. N., a brother of Mrs. Commodore Harmony and Mrs. Col. Biddle, the reception of Col. and Mrs. Biddle to introduce their daughter will not take place. take place.

Work of the Police. The police reports late last night showed 195 arrests. The first precluct had 40 cases, the fourth about 28, and the eixth about 20. The majority of the arrests were for drunk and disorderly conduct on the streets.

FIGHT ON A FERRY BOAT

BLOODY ENCOUNTER BETWEEN WHITE AND COLORED ROUGHS.

Exciting Time on the Steamer City of Alexandria - Razors, Knives, and Chairs Freely Used-Cut Faces and Battered Heads-The Gang Arrested

It seems as if the bloody deeds which

generally accompany a holiday were not missed yesterday, but one was transferred

from the land to the water, one of the ferry boats plying between here and Alexandria being the scene of a fearful and most desperate fight. At one time it looked as if the lives of all the, passengers were endangered, and there was little chance of escape from the fury of those taking part in the disgraceful exhibition. The sober and anxious ones tried to keep out of barm's way, and protect themselves the best it was possible to do, but found a steamboat rather narrow limits under the exiving circumstances. The steamer City of Alexandria left her wharf it Alexandria * 3:30 o'clock pretty well loaded. Among of her passengers she had on board a number of white and colored roughs. The boat had not gotten far on the way up the river before there was quarreling among these men, which soon became general. Hard words were used, threats made, and then came blows. This was the signal for a general light, and the men accepting went at it in dead earnest, and it was pretty lively on deck as the boat reached her landing at the foot of Seventh street. The men scemed frenzied with liquor, and in their excitement used any instrument coming handy as an implement of attack or aid in defense. Razors, knives, chairs, clubs, and even chains were brought into requisition, and the scene carried terror to the hearts of the sober and peaceably disposed passengers who were compelled to witness the bloody encounter, while dreading, at the same time, leat in jury might come to themselves. The participants moved from point to point; the boat was smeared with blood both on the upper and lower deck, and at times it seemed as if the fight prevailed over the entire craft except in the pilot house and engine room. There were several ladies on board, who become frightened, and as the coutest grew more serious and bloody, some of them fainted. Effort was made to protect them and provide the proper attention, but with Ill sneess. However, they revived and escaped without receiving bodily harm. While the razors and knives were being slashed about and chairs flying through the air, men wild from passion and liquor were used as a faired beauty and seemed disposed to keep s

HIGGINS AGAIN TO THE FRONT To be Provided with a Soft Place at Annapolis,

It seems to be generally cone ate appointment clerk of the Treasury Department, is to be stowed away in another mug berth, being nothing more of less than the position of chief clerk of the Maryland

the position of chief cierk of the Maryland bouse of delegates. For three months' work the salary is about \$900, but it is asserted that \$5,000 can be gotten out of the place with ease. It is claimed that Senator Gorman as boss has sent forth the edict that this selection must be made, and there is considerable squirming in consequence. There is no doubt of Higgins's ability to fill the position, as he has had several years' experience in former legislatures. At the same time he can always be relied upon to do the bidding of the bosses. When the slate was made up last week, it was also decided to make Peter J. Campbell, one of Bess Raisin's lieutenants, speaker of the house. The counties, however, objected to this, as it gave to Baltimore two of the best offices in the legislature. Opinion is divided as to whether the bosses will make a fight to get in their men or throw Campbell overboard.

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Campbell's friends are indignant. They claim that the managers, if they please, can nominate both Campbell and Higgins. Some of them have the temerity to intimate that Campbell is as good a Democrat as Higgins, and that there is no reason why the latter should walk out of one fat office into another, to the detriment of others as good if not better than himself. The bosses may provide for Campbell at the last moment, if they reach the conclusion that they have the power to do it, but they will never give up Higgins.

ASSAULTED ON A TRAIN. The Montgomery County Sheriff Struck

by a Desperado. Sheriff Washington W. White, of Fred-erick county, Maryland, was attacked on the Frederick train, which left this city on Saturday afternoon, near Rockville, by James Neal, a colored desperado, living at James Neal, a colored desperado, living at Gaithersburg, Montgomery county. The sheriff was passing through a car when seen by Neal, who was intoxicated. He made a spring at the sheriff, who grabbed the man, spoke kindly, asking him to take a seat and behave himself. Instead of doing so, he followed Mr. White to the forward part of the car and dealt him a heavy blow on the side of the head. Passengers went to the sheriff's aid, and prevented his assallant from doing further harm. Neal was pilecid under arrest, and will be tried to-day. He is a brother of Goorge Neal, now in the penitentiary for a folonious assault upon Miss Jenuic Givyd near Gatthersburg. A year ago, and is considered a desperate character.

The Veteran Corps Will Act as Escort . At a meeting of the Union Veteran Corps (company A, 2d battalion, District militia) held last night the invitation of Army of the Republic was accepted. They will appear as escort of the department on the occasion of the call of the members of the Grand Army on the President on New Year's Day.

The Weather, For the Bistrict of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginis-Fair weather, followed by light rain or snow, slightly warmer, light to fresh

variable winds. variable winds.

Thermometer readings; 7 a, m., 30 0°; 3 p, m., 20,0°; 10 p, m., 32,0°; mean temperature, 53,0°; maximum, 37,0°; minimum, 30,0°; mean relative humidity, 85,0°; total precipitation,